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## *Senate*

### AVIATION SECURITY ACT

Mr. CARPER. Madam President, I thank the senior Senator for yielding. To Senator Biden, to Senator McCain, to Senator HOLLINGS, and others who have been part of getting us to this rather extraordinary compromise and position to go forward on the authorizing track and on the appropriations track as well: Well done.

Mario Cuomo, when he was Governor of New York, would talk about campaigning and governing. He used to say:

We campaign in poetry, we govern in prose.

Here in the Senate, here in Congress, we authorize in poetry, but we appropriate in prose.

As important as this authorization is, and it is important that we get the authorization for work on the tunnels, for work on having more security onboard our trains and in our stations, and I think some help in refurbishing some of the older rolling stock, locomotives and cars that are needed to carry the extra people who are riding the trains now, as important as the authorizing is, the appropriations is where the rubber hits the road.

I pledge to work with Senator Biden and Senator Hollings and Senator McCain and Senator Hutchison and others to make sure we get the work done, not just on the poetry side but the hard work on the prose side as well.